MEETING MINUTES SOUTH GULF COVE BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE May 9, 2011 11:00 AM

Attendees: Karen Price, Kendall Leach, Alice Minich, Barbara Hundley

County: Tara Musselman, Roger Warner

Guests: Bob Dratch, Carol McGuire, Barbara Holmes

The meeting was called to order at 11:02

Will approve minutes from March 29, 2011 meeting at the next meeting.

Specialty Mowing Contract has been cancelled as of May 1st by the contractor (John Isel) because of medical reasons. Since this is a county wide contract Tara will meet with John Jackson and David Milligan to find out if SGC can have their own separate contract and if so when can we put it out to bid.

San Domingo Park Development

Roger says there are some minor changes that the engineers have to approve but the specs should be in Purchasing by the end of the week and out to bid in about two weeks. Bid will stay out about 30 days. Tara will forward the link to purchasing to all committee members.

Roger suggests a bid of 230,000 for Phase one of the park. Kendall suggests a lower bid of 160,000 stating the economy and how bids are coming in lower. Roger warns of small out of town contractors from Fort Meyers and Tampa that put in very low bids and provide inferior work. Alice and Barbara suggest a bid of 190,000 to 200,000 and settle at 195,000. There was a motion to put a bid out for \$195,000 made by Barbara and seconded by Alice. The committee voted and the ayes have it.

Linear/Learning Garden

Karen asked Carol McGuire to explain an email from Ann Yee about maintenance for the Learning Garden. Carol has requested that the Learning Garden be included in the specialty mowing agreement for mowing, pesticide and fertilizer application. She also wants to add irrigation to this as there is a well and pump at the garden to provide irrigation and if anything were to happen to this equipment it would be more than the volunteers would be able to handle. Karen thanked her for the clarification and said that the irrigation would be addressed in the 2012 budget.

Entrance Signs

Palm replacement will happen when the rain starts. Purple Queen will be trimmed where it blocks wording on the sign. Reuse water- Kendall will be included by Greg in investigating the difference in usage at each sign.

Medina Waterway Park

Survey & Topo were completed and Tara brought each Committee member a copy. Including this park in the specialty mowing contract was discussed. Same as San Domingo and Arlewood about 8 times a year. Bob Dratch was present to discuss what he would like to see done next. This includes: Level property and remove or bury rocks. Remove all non native plants (mostly pepper trees) from waterline. Make a 14 ft. wide canoe launch if no permit is required. Clear from end of Norton Rd. to property. The committee asked Tara to find out about the cost of all this as we only have 50,000 budgeted for Medina Waterway Park at this time.

Next meeting-June 27,2011 at 11:00 AM room 106B

Meeting adjourn- 12:35PM